UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

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POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

 Announcement No.:
 06-08

 Issuing Date:
 09/15/06

 Closing Date:
 *09/29/06

Position: Senior Information Technology Specialist

Court Schedule: CS 14 (equivalent GS14, salary range including Washington-Baltimore 2006 Locality Pay is

\$91,407 to \$118,828).

This is a Part-Time Temporary Position Not-To-Exceed 13 Months and an Anticipated Work Schedule of 32 Hours Per Week.

This appointment is made without regard to Title 5 governing appointments in the competitive service. All appointments are excepted service. *Applications must be received by the Court (not just postmarked) by 5:00 p.m. on 09/29/06.

Area of Consideration: Nationwide - The Court does not pay relocation expenses.

The Office of Information Technology provides information resources management in support of the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims (USCAVC) including: policy and program direction; development, implementation and maintenance of information systems; management of telecommunications, networks, hardware and software; and servicing the information needs and requests of users within and outside the Court.

Duties and Responsibilities:

The incumbent serves as the Senior IT Specialist in the Office of Information Technology within the USCAVC and reports to the Director of Automation. Duties and responsibilities include: providing technical expertise on emerging information technologies and functioning as the technical project liaison between the USCAVC and the Administrative Offices (AO) to determine, develop and support the information management aspects of the CM/ECF project implementation within the Court; performing as a technical information security specialist for assessing controls of information systems in web/network environments; reviewing and evaluating operations to appraise effectiveness of security policies and programs; evaluating COTS software products and making recommendations to the Director on the adoption of new technology within the Court; conducting continuous analysis of present and future technological trends in the area of data and information processing platforms; establishing requirements, standards and providing recommendations for the direction of future LAN/WAN client/server environments, which could involve changes or reorientation in objectives of programs at the Court; analyzing complex information technology problems; and briefing the Director and other key leadership as required.

Qualification Requirements: The successful applicant must have *three years* of progressively responsible experience in an administrative, supervisory, professional or technical position which provided an opportunity to acquire:

expert technical knowledge of

- networking to include networking protocols, firewalls, proxies, and routers and switches;
- system configurations and the security vulnerabilities;
- IT components (operating systems, databases, applications and telecommunications) involved in applying patches; and
- proven success in implementing multiple IT projects of increasing complexity.

ability to

- look for ways to minimize risk and improve the efficiency of patch deployment;
- proven success implementing multiple IT projects of increasing complexity;
- effectively communicate orally and in writing to present ideas and articulate technical issues, complex problems and solutions to diverse audiences.

experience in negotiation and customer-service skills to build effective relationships with customers.

A bachelor's degree in a computer-related field is preferable.

Instructions for Applying: Submit one of the following: OF 612, resume, other written application, or SF 171. Applications must contain all of the information requested on the OF 612 and must include an OF 306 (Declaration for Federal Employment). Send to: Ms. Ramona Garcia, U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, 625 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Suite 900, Washington, D.C. 20004. The OF 612 and OF 306 can be found at www.opm.gov (click on "Quick Index" and then on "Forms") or contact Ms. Garcia on 202-501-5988.

The United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims is an equal opportunity employer. All applicants will receive consideration without regard to race, color, age, sex, religion, marital status, national origin or disability.